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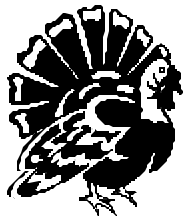
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## NATIONAL TURKEY MARKET - AT A GLANCE



### DOMESTIC MARKET HIGHLIGHTS

The market tone for 8-16 lb. hens and 16-24 lb. toms was steady to barely steady. Fairly heavy sales of packer labeled hens and toms for June through August and limited sales for September. Offerings were mostly adequate. Parts trading centered on a fair volume of fresh Grade A 4-8 lb breasts.

### EXPORT HIGHLIGHTS

Trading consisted of a heavy volume of frozen thigh meat and a light to moderate volume of full-cut wings and tom drums. Interest noted from Asia, Eastern Europe, Russia and Mexico. Offerings were adequate.

**WHOLE YOUNG TURKEYS**, FROZEN 1/, CONSUMER SIZES, COMMODITY PACK OR EQUIVALENT, US GRADE A, CENTS PER LB, DELIVERED (MINIMUM 10,000 LB LOTS) **JUNE 03, 2003**

#### CURRENT SHIPMENTS 2/

#### FORWARD SHIPMENTS 6/

#### OPEN COMMITMENTS 7/

	OFFERS	SALES	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	WTD AVG	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER	VOLUME (000)	DEL. PER
8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	59-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
WESTERN REGION 5/	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

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8-16 LB HENS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	59-62	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-61	60.5	60.50	20	62.50	20	SEP	3600	JUN-AUG
WESTERN REGION 5/	60-61	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
16-24 LB TOMS									
EASTERN REGION 3/	59	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
CENTRAL REGION 4/	58-59.5	59.5	59.50	20	59.50	20	SEP	3400	JUN-AUG
WESTERN REGION 5/	57-58	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

1/ May include product stored at temperatures in range of 1 to 25 degrees F. 2/ Includes product priced for shipment within 14 days.

3/ Includes product with 3 percent broth basting. 4/ Includes product with 3-6 percent broth basting. 5/ Includes products with 6 percent broth basting. 6/ Includes product committed for pricing during the previous 24 hours but shipment in more than 14 days from date of commitment. 7/ Includes product committed during previous 24 hours at prices to be determined at later date.

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 3 JUNE 2003.

The trade sentiment on tom drums and tom full-cut wings was steady to instances fully steady, necks steady. Demand was light to instances fair. Offerings of tom drums and full-cut wings ranged from light to adequate with supplies tightest in the East, tom necks adequate. Due to the price differential between wing meat and full-cut wings, some processors have switched from producing full-cut wings to making wing meat with skin resulting in better balanced full-cut wing inventories. The undertone on hen parts was mostly steady. Demand light for the adequate inventories. Some cautious optimism was noted on thigh meat with trading noted at mostly steady price levels. Trading centered on fair volumes of fresh 4-8 lb. breasts for domestic shipments and tom full-cut wings for export, balance slow. For domestic: fresh hen drums 18, fresh wing meat 46 and Grade A non-basted 16-18 lb. breasts 93 cents delivered. Tom necks traded at 19 cents delivered export.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	87.00	400
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/	110.00		110.00	400
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/				
DRUMSTICKS, TOM	21.50		21.50	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		M	17.50	200
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	18.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	14.00		14.00	120
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	22.00	80
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	54.00	20
NECKS, TOM		F	18.22	370
NECKS, HEN		R	17.00	6
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/		F	116.26	184
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	55.00	80
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	49.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	55.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	103.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH		F	118.00	10
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	45.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	18.25	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	17.50		17.50	120

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	19.50-21.00		19.81	196
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	12.00-13.00		12.72	432
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	18.43	366
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		F	16.00	120
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	43.00-45.00		44.00	208

1/ CODES FOR LAST SIGNIFICANT TRADE (L.S.T.):

M=MONDAY T=TUESDAY W=WEDNESDAY R=THURSDAY F=FRIDAY

2/ Breasts are bagged; rib, back, and wing meat included; and basted.

3/ Boneless and skinless without tenderloins.

4/ 15-20% fat with skin added.

#### SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA (L.A. AREA) PROCESSED TURKEY, DELIVERED TO RETAILERS

	RANGE
FRESH TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	96
FRESH TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	96
FROZEN TURKEYS Y HENS 8-16#	66
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 14-24#	63-65
FROZEN TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-28#	65-72

#### SAN FRANCISCO PROCESSED TURKEY DELIVERED TO RESTAURANTS AND INSTITUTIONS

	RANGE
TURKEYS Y HENS	119-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS UNDER 22#	99-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 22-24#	99-125
TURKEYS Y TOMS 24-26#	99-129
TURKEYS Y TOMS 26 LBS & OVER	99-129

**NATIONAL YOUNG TURKEY PARTS AND BULK MEAT**, FROZEN (UNLESS SPECIFIED), CENTS PER LB., DELIVERED FIRST RECEIVERS, PART AND FULL TRUCKLOTS AS OF 4 JUNE 2003.

The undertone on fresh tom breast meat was steady at best, balance of white meat steady to instances weak with some sellers looking for bids on frozen product in an attempt to find a price level at which movement would occur. Some further processors are watching with hope for lower weights and improved movement in the West due to forecasts of increased heat while the balance of the country has noticed only light improvements in demand. Offerings available. Domestic trading light and centered on plant grade 4-8 lb. breasts. The export market was active on frozen thigh meat for June-July shipments and on tom full-cut wings, balance light to instances fair. The trade sentiment was mixed on thigh meat into export channels and ranged from barely steady to fully steady. Fresh thigh meat traded at 51.50 cents delivered domestic.

DOMESTIC TRADING	PRICE RANGE	L.S.T. CODE 1/	WTD AVG PRICE	VOLUME (000)
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A 2/		F	87.00	400
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS GRADE A—FRESH 2/		T	110.00	400
BREASTS, 4-8 LBS PLANT GRADE 2/	83.00		83.00	200
DRUMSTICKS, TOM		T	21.50	40
DRUMSTICKS, TOM—FRESH		M	17.50	200
DRUMSTICKS, HEN		F	18.00	20
WINGS, FULL-CUT, TOM	13.50		13.50	60
WINGS, FULL-CUT, HEN				
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM	23.00		23.00	40
WINGS, V-TYPE, HEN		F	54.00	20
NECKS, TOM		F	18.22	370
NECKS, HEN		R	17.00	6
BREASTS, B/S, TOM 3/				
BREASTS, B/S, TOM—FRESH 3/	118.00		118.00	32
THIGH MEAT				
THIGH MEAT—FRESH		F	55.00	80
BREAST TRIM MEAT		F	49.00	40
SCAPULA MEAT		F	55.00	40
TENDERLOINS				
DESTRAPPED TENDERS		F	103.00	40
DESTRAPPED TENDERS—FRESH	112.00-118.00		112.78	46
WING MEAT WITH SKIN		F	45.00	40
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/		R	18.25	80
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED—FRESH 4/	16.00-16.50		16.25	80

#### EXPORT TRADING

DRUMSTICKS, TOMS	20.00-21.00		20.70	132
WINGS FULL-CUT - TOMS	12.50-15.00		13.75	516
WINGS, V-TYPE, TOM		F	18.43	366
TAILS				
MECHANICALLY SEPARATED 4/	18.00		18.00	80
THIGH MEAT - FROZEN	46.00-51.00		46.62	2,202

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#### **BREEDER TURKEYS CERTIFIED IN CALIFORNIA W/E 06/04/03**

POULTRY HEALTH BOARD	ACCUMULATED		
SEASON	HEAVY	HEAVY	ALL
JULY 1 TO JUNE 30	WHITE	WHITES	BREEDS
2002-2003	21,070	407,795	408,095
2001-2002	9,802	398,709	399,009

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